IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application. Listing of the claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A compound of formula (I)

$$O \xrightarrow{N-N} CO-N N-SO_2 \xrightarrow{N} (R^1)_n$$

$$CO-N N-SO_2 \xrightarrow{N} (R^1)_n$$

$$O \xrightarrow{R^2} O \xrightarrow{N-N} (R^1)_n$$

$$O \xrightarrow{N-N} (I)$$

wherein R2 is amino, a group OR4 or a group -Y-R5 where

R4 is hydrogen or C1-4alkyl,

Y is C₁₋₄alkylene,

 R^{5} is-hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, $C_{1:2}$ alkoxy, $C_{1:2}$ alkoxy $C_{1:4}$, or a group $NR^{7}R^{8}$ where R^{7} and R^{8} are independently selected from hydrogen, $C_{1:2}$ alkyl, hydroxy $C_{1:2}$ alkyl or alkoxy $C_{1:2}$ alkyl, or R^{7} and R^{8} together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a saturated 5-6-membered heterocyclic ring which optionally contains an additional heteroatom;

n is one or two and each R^1 is independently selected from halo, halo C_{1-2} alkyl, hydroxy, $-\infty$, amino, C_{1-2} alkylamino or di- C_{1-2} dialkylamino;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The A-compound according to claim 1 wherein R² is a group-Y-R⁵.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The A-compound according to claim 2 wherein Y is a C_{1,2}alkylene group.

Claim 4 (cancelled).

Claim 5 (currently amended): The A-compound according to claim 1 wherein R^2 is a group $-Y-R^5$ and R^5 is a group NR^7R^8 where R^7 and R^8 are independently selected from hydrogen, C_{1-2} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-2} alkyl or alkoxy C_{1-2} alkyl, or R^7 and R^8 together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a saturated 5-6-membered heterocyclic ring which optionally contains an additional heteroatoms.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The A-compound according to claim 1-any one of the preceding claims wherein n is 1.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The A-compound according to claim 1-any one of the preceding claims wherein at least one R¹ group is a halo group.

Claim 8 (currently amended): The A-compound according to claim 7 wherein R¹ is bromo or chloro.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The A-compound according to claim 1-any one of the preceding-claims wherein an R¹ group is present at a position equivalent to the 5-position as numbered on the indole ring.

Claim 10 (currently amended): The A-compound according to claim 1 which is 6-(4-[4-(5-Chloro-1H-indole-2-sulphonyl) piperazine 1-earbonyl] phenyl; 2-methyl-2H-pyridazin-3-one.

- 1 (5 chloroindol 2 ylsulphonyl) 4 [4 (6 oxo 1 methyl pyridazin 3 yl) benzoyl]piperazine,
- 6-[4-({4-[(5-chloro-1H-indol-2-yl)sulphonyl]piperazin-1-yl}carbonyl)phenyl]-2-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]pyridazin-3(2H)-one,
- 6-{4-[4-(5-chloro-1H-indole-2-sulfonyl)-piperazine-1-carbonyl]-phenyl}-2-(2-methylamino-ethyl)-2H-pyridazin-3-one,
- 6- (4-[4-(5-chloro-1H-indole-2-sulfonyl) piperazine-1-carbonyl] phenyl}-2-ethyl-2Hpyridazin-3-one.
- 2-butyl-6-[4-[4-(5-chloro-1H-indole-2-sulfonyl)-piperazine-1-carbonyl]-phenyl}-2Hpyridazin-3-one;
- 6-{4-[4-(5-chloro-1H-indole-2-sulfonyl)-piperazine-1-carbonyl]-phenyl}-2-(2-hydroxy-ethyl)-2H-pyridazin-3-one,
- 6-{4-[4-(5-chloro-1H-indole-2-sulfonyl)-piperazine-1-carbonyl]-phenyl}-2-(2,2,2-trifluoro-ethyl)-2H-pyridazin-3-one.
- 6-{4-[4-(5-chloro-1H-indole-2-sulfonyl)-piperazine-1-carbonyl]-phenyl}-2-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-2H-pyridazin-3-one,
- 6-[4-({4-[(5-chloro-1H-indol-2-yl)sulphonyl]piperazin-1-yl}carbonyl)phenyl]-2-[2-(2-methox vethox v)ethyl]pvridazin-3(2H)-one.
- 6-{4-[4-(5-Chloro-1H-indole-2-sulfonyl)-piperazine-1-carbonyl]-phenyl}-2-fluoromethyl-2H-pyridazin-3-one,
- 6-{4-[4-(5-Chloro-1H-indole-2-sulfonyl)-piperazine-1-carbonyl]-phenyl}-2-difluoromethyl-2H-pyridazin-3-one or
- 6-{4-[4-(5-Chloro-1H-indole-2-sulfonyl)-2-oxo-piperazin-1-ylmethyl]-phenyl}-2-(2-morpholin-4-yl-ethyl)-2H-pyridazin-3-one.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A process for preparing a compound of formula (I) as defined in claim 1 which process comprises either

(a) reacting an amine of formula (II)

$$\frac{\text{HN} \text{N-SO}_2 \cdots \text{(R^1)}_n}{\text{HN} \text{N-SO}_2 \cdots \text{(R^1)}_n}$$

with an acid of the formula (III)

or a reactive derivative thereof; or

(b) reacting a compound of the formula (VIII):

wherein Z' is a displaceable group, with a compound of formula (IX)

$$R^2$$
 $O \longrightarrow A$
 (IX)

wherein R2 is as defined claim 1 and A is an activating group, or

- (c) forming a substituted pyridazinone ring on compounds of formula (VIII), wherein Z' is a functional group capable of cyclisation;
- (d) by reacting a compound of the formula (X):

where R² is as defined in claim 1, with a compound of the formula (XI):

wherein R^1 and n are as defined in claim 1 and Z^* is a displaceable group, under conditions similar to those described above in process (a); or

(e) reacting a compound of formula (XIII)

wherein R^1 and n are as defined claim 1, and the indole ring is optionally protected, with a compound of formula (A)

$$R^2$$
- Z " (A)

where R^2 is as defined in claim 1 and Z^{**} is a displaceable group, and thereafter optionally if necessary, removing any indole protecting groups.

Claim 12 (cancelled).

Claim 13 (original): A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof, as defined in claim 1 or claim 10 any claim from 1 to 8, with a pharmaceutically-acceptable diluent or carrier.

Claims 14-15 (cancelled).

Claim 16 (new): A method for producing an antithrombotic or anticoagulant effect in a warm-blooded animal in need thereof comprising administering an effective amount of a compound of formula (I), as defined in claim 1 or claim 10-any-claim from 1 to 10, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.